

STAYING SAFE AT THE POLLS

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VOTERS

Advise voters with concerns that they may increase social distances while standing in line and moving within the voting area.

Thermometers may be available for screen election inspectors but may not be used to check the temperature of voters. Do not screen voters for temperature or any other symptoms.

Voters are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings in the polling place, but they are not required to wear one. Voters cannot be turned away or prohibited from casting a ballot for any reason other than those explicitly authorized in law.

WORKERS

Staff or volunteers do NOT need to be certified election inspectors to be in the polling place and assist in cleaning the polling place and voting equipment.

Build in additional breaks for election inspectors and other workers to sanitize their hands regularly and have time away from crowds.

Election inspectors and other election workers are encouraged to provide 3 days' notice if they are unable to serve in their assigned capacities.

All workers, challengers, and poll watchers are required to wear masks and may be provided other personal protection equipment such as gloves and face shields. The use of face shields is an appropriate alternative if an individual is unable to medically tolerate cloth face coverings.

Thermometers, if available, may be used to check the temperature of election workers.

PREVENTING THE SPREAD

The following should be provided at every polling place: hand sanitizer, alcohol/disinfectant wipes or aerosol, sterile latex gloves, disposable tissues, and trash receptacles.

Regularly use alcohol/disinfectant wipes or aerosol to clean pens/pencils, voting booths, voting equipment, secrecy sleeves, touch screens, headsets, tables, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, faucets, sinks, and other surfaces. Also, limit shared items as much as possible.

Plan your precinct layouts to accommodate recommended social distancing.

Utilize physical barriers, such as plexiglass dividers and plastic shields, to keep distances and separation between voters and election workers.

Thank you for ensuring the safety of Michigan's voters

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